

**Energy & Environmental Initiatives** 

County of Loudoun March 31, 2011





# Countywide Energy Strategy

#### **Energy Strategy Goals**

- Be recognized as location of choice for investment
- Have consistently lower energy costs relative to surrounding areas
- Be recognized as regional-state-national model
- Have the lowest greenhouse gas emissions in the country
- Major investments will contribute to meeting the County Energy Strategy





#### Loudoun County Energy Vision

"Loudoun County will always have reliable and affordable energy, be energy efficient and reduce greenhouse gases"





# Loudoun County Energy Plan Focus on Overall Competitiveness

- County Wide Energy Strategy
  - 30 year roadmap
  - Competitiveness and sustainability
  - Attract high quality employment
- Local/ Global Team developed strategy
  - Active Support: Dominion Power, NOVEC, Washington Gas
  - 7 public input sessions midway and 1 final public session
  - Outreach to businesses
- Adopted December 2009 by Board of Supervisors
- Download at <u>www.loudoun.gov/energy</u>
- Federal Funding Background
  - Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant
  - Baseline energy and emissions
  - Broader policy recommendations
  - Specific short term "next steps" projects
  - Some immediate funds for initial projects





# Regional-State-National model of competitive energy and climate management

- The COG has chosen a Loudoun neighborhood for pilot education program / challenge
- Governor McDonnell wrote to DOE Secretary Chu: "Loudoun County has been named by the National Association of Counties as one of two counties nationwide that will serve as beacons at the local government level for their County Energy Planning effort."
- German ambassador highlighted Loudoun as model U.S. community at 2010 business forum at the German Embassy
- Loudoun County asked to present our plans for our first scale project, Moorefield Station, at 2010 Applied Solutions conference
- Loudoun County presents at National Association of Counties 2010
   Annual Meeting in Reno, Nevada and 2011 Energy Summit in Los Angeles
- Loudoun's first Green Business Challenge is "a raging success"



## County Energy Strategy Supports Economic Development

ENERGY STRATEGY: Loudoun County will always have reliable and affordable energy, be energy efficient and reduce greenhouse gases

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY:**

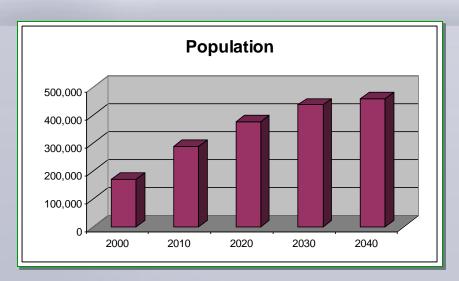
Our Vision is to be an innovative, globally competitive economy known for its favorable business environment, exceptional quality of place and strong sense of community"

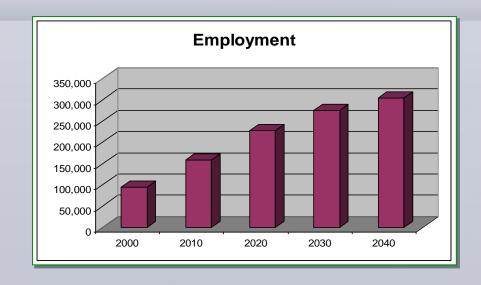
- Recognized Center for Innovation
- Prosperous Business Environment
  - •High Quality of Place
  - Sound Fiscal Health
  - Favored Visitor Destination
- World-class Energy Performance





# Loudoun Growth Challenge 69% Population & 116% Job Growth





#### Energy for Building

- 75,000 new homes added to current 100,000
- 73 million square feet non-residential to current 69 million
- Renovation of existing homes and buildings

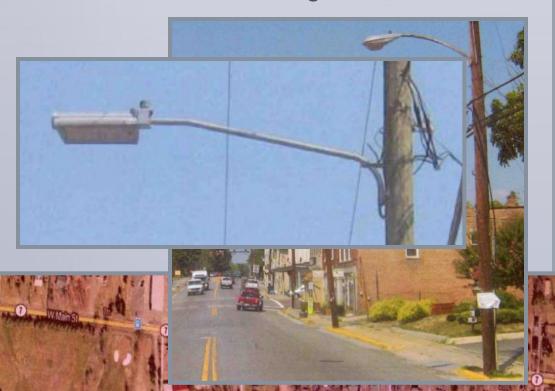
#### Fuel for Transportation

- Mobility of 187,000 more people on already congested roads
- Commercial transport to support increased population

Reliable – Clean - Affordable Energy Services



#### Purcellville LED Streetlights



#### **Project Goals**

- Install 42 LED lights along Main Street in Purcellville
- Reduce Greenhouse Gases
- Reduce energy cconsumption
- Estimated 3 full time manufacturer, delivery, & installation jobs will be created through duration of the project

Project Budget \$40,000







#### **Energy Home Improvement Program**



#### **Project Goals**

- Home improvement energy retrofits
- Reduce energy consumption
- Reduce Greenhouse Gases
- Reduce energy consumption
- Estimated 5 full time positions will be created through duration of the project

Project Budget \$140,000

Five homes will receive grants up to \$30,000 Estimated project completion Date: June 2011





#### Youth Shelter Expansion



#### **Project Goals**

- 20 kW Solar Panels
- Reduce energy consumption
- Reduce Greenhouse Gases
- Reduce Energy Consumption
- Estimated 7 full time positions will be created through duration of the project

Project Budget \$300,000

- Contract established with Standard Solar
- Installation to take place in June 2011



# LED Solar Lights, Electric Vehicle Charging Stations





#### **Project Goals**

- 24 LED Lights
- 5 EV Charging Stations
- Reduce energy consumption
- Reduce Greenhouse Gases
- Estimated 3.2 full time positions will be created through duration of the project

Project Budget \$300,000

Contract established with MC Dean Construction to commence April 2011





#### ABC7 Residential Education & Outreach



#### **Project Goals**

- Increase awareness
- Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Reduce energy consumption
- Estimated 5 full time jobs will be created through the duration of the project

Project Budget \$300,000

\$75,000 was encumbered towards ABC7 Partnership

\$30,000 encumbered for mailing of Energy Smart Solutions

Project Completed in 2010
Ashburn Home received \$21,000 energy improvements





#### Business Education & Outreach/ Green Business Challenge





#### **Project Goals**

- Increase awareness
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Reduce energy consumption
- Increase bottom-line
- Estimated 4 full time jobs will be created through the duration of the project

Project Budget \$100,000

Contract established with Sustainable Design Consultant

Project kick-off was March 25, 2017



# EECBG - Study/Planning Projects

# Combined Heat & Power Cogeneration Feasibility Study



#### **Project Goals**

- Combined Heat & Power
- Natural Gas-fired Cogeneration
- Reduce energy consumption
- Reduce Greenhouse Gases
- Estimated 2 full time positions will be created through duration of the project

Project Budget \$160,000

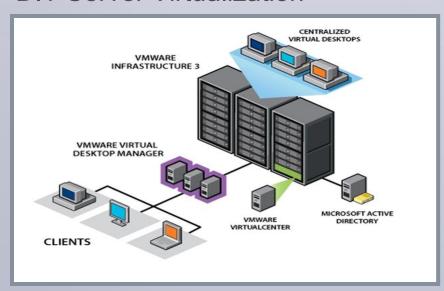
Project was awarded to Dewberry
Project to be completed by September 2011





# **EECBG - Construction Projects**

#### **DIT Server Virtualization**



**Project Awarded to:** 

Hardware: CAS Severn

Software: CDWG

**Anticipated installation April 2011** 

#### **Project Goals**

- Installation of five (5) virtual servers at DIT
- Reduce energy consumption
- Reduce energy costs
- Reduce Greenhouse Gases
- Estimated 2 full time positions will be created through duration of the project

Project Budget \$250,000





# Moorefield Station Scale Project Energy Use Feasibility Study



#### **Project Goals**

- Integrated Energy Master Plan
- Combined Heat & Power
- Reduce energy consumption
- Reduce Greenhouse Gases
- Estimated 6 full time positions will be created through duration of the project

Project Budget \$300,000 Claude Moore Foundation \$100,000

Currently in the procurement process
Anticipated process completion April 2011
Project Kick-off May 2011



Acquired Energy Management Software in 1993 Energy Manager's position was created in 2002

In April, 2008 the Board approved 4 green initiatives:

- a. Adopted LEED Green Building standard
- b. Joined VML Green Government Challenge
- c. Joined "Cool Capital" Challenge
- d. Became an Energy Star partner







#### VML Green Government Challenge

2008 Challenge received 183 points out of 200 possible points. Tied first place with the City of Roanoke

2009, Challenge received 193 points out of 200 possible points. We received the Platinum Award from VML and received cash award from the Virginia Association of Counties

2010 Challenge received first place Platinum Award





#### **Energy Conservation Committee**

The was formed in 2008 consists of liaisons from all the departments.

The goal of this Committee is to reduce carbon emissions and save energy by modifying employee's behavior.

In 2009 the County reduced its energy by 433,000 kWh, over \$128,000 savings (equivalent to 269 cars off the road, 410 trees planted).





#### **Cool Capital Challenge**

The County doubled its 3% carbon emission reduction goal

2009 Emission Reduction = 2,911,789 lb

Equivalent to 253 cars off the road, 387 trees planted







#### **COG Home Energy Challenge Pilot**

COG Residents Outreach Campaign In Three Communities:

- Cascades, Virginia, 143 residents have signed up, 56 linked
- Greenbelt, Maryland, 103 residents have singed up, 62 linked
- Brookland, Washington DC, 114 residents have signed up, 36 linked

Communities register in the COG Website www.WeCanSaveEnergy.org

to take the Challenge

The Pilot will end on March 31, 2011







# Loudoun County Green Business Challenge

On November 19, 2009, the County & the Chamber of Commerce partnered to recognize those businesses leading the way in sustainability

2010 LOUDOUN GREEN GAL

There were thirty-nine (39) scorecard submissions received from Loudoun

County businesses

The first annual Loudoun Green Gala on November 16, 2010 at the Re/Max Premier building in the Beaumeade Corporate Park in Ashburn

#### The top winners of the Challenge are:

- AOL Platinum, Large Business Category
- •National Conference Center Platinum, Medium Business Category
- Unison Advisory Group Gold, Small Business Category
- •Southland Industries Platinum, Triangle Award for Thinking Outside of the Box



# ICLEI Virginia Green Community Challenge Pilot

Purpose: Outline a Green Community Challenge

#### **Pilot Participants:**

- County of Loudoun
- City of Blacksburg
- City of Norfolk
- City of Roanoke



The pilot ends in October 2011. It will be available to all Virginia jurisdictions in January 2012

In line with Education & Outreach Residents/Businesses EECBG funded projects







#### **ICLEI Sustainability Award**

In September 2010, Loudoun County received a prestigious Milestone Achievement Award from ICLEI-Local Governments for Sustainability (ICLEI), a membership association of local governments committed to advancing climate protection and sustainable development.





#### **Energy Audits Outcome**

	Facility Name	Dollar Savings
1	Claude Moore Recreation Center	\$35,291
2	DIT	\$16,977
3	Fire Rescue Training Academy	\$12,973
4	Government Center	\$37,941
5	Judicial Complex	\$26,163
6	Historic Courthouse	\$ 2,194
7	Shenandoah Bldg.	\$12,995
	Total Savings	\$144,534





# NACO Energy Efficiency Conference

County's presentation on Increasing Economic Competitiveness through County-wide Energy Management

The event was held on January 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> in Los Angeles <a href="https://www.naco.org/2011EnergyForum">www.naco.org/2011EnergyForum</a>

**Attendees:** EECBG Recipients







## **Applied Solutions**



The County became a member of Applied Solutions a non-profit organization based in Boulder, Colorado.

Applied Solutions connects local government officials with each other and partners such as energy and research laboratories, academic institutions, private sector and non-profit organizations to look at new ways to minimize impacts on water, energy, transportation and land use.





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